(c) The Study Group on "Skill Development, Training and Workers Education" set up by the National Commission on Labour has sumbitted its report to the Commission. The Commission is yet to take a view on the report of the Study group in framing its recommendations. The report of the commission is expected by 15.6.2002.

Missing credits of ESIC

5344. SHRI K. B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(b) whether the Employees State Insurance Corporation failed to trace the missing credits of Rs. 33.29 lakhs deposited in the Bank by more than 290 employers of various factories during May, 1988 to June, 1990;

(c) whether the missing credit was tracked sometime in October, 2001 and by then ESIC had suffered a loss of interest amounting to Rs. 45.19 lakhs; and

(d) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General of India has commented on this lapse on the part of the ESIC in his report for the year ending March, 2001 and if so, Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (c) The ESI Corporation while taking action for non-payment of contribution detected the missing credits for the period 5/88 to 7/90. The corporation has been pursuing the matter continuously with State Bank of India authorities because of which Rs. 24.94 lakh (approx.) of the missing credits has already been credited to ESIC Account. The efforts are on by the Corporation to get the remaining amount and interest in terms of the banking arrangement with the State Bank of India. The Director General, Audit (Central Revenue) has commented on the missing credits in his report.

Rate of interest of EPF

†5345.SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH:
SHRI HARENDRA SINGH MALIK:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

( ) whether the Central Board of Trustees has recommended to

†Originai notice of the question was received in Hindi.